Thursday, October 28, 2010

Contract and Land Management RECOMMENDATION FOR COUNCIL ACTION

Item No. 9

Subject: Authorize execution of a construction contract with SANTA CLARA CONSTRUCTION, LTD. (MBE/MH 84.99%), Austin, TX for the North Austin Wastewater Overflow Abatement Project in the amount of \$843,740 plus a \$42,187 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$885,927.

Amount and Source of Funding: Funding is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

Fiscal Note: A fiscal note is attached.

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Purchasing Language: Lowest bid of 7 bids received.

MBE/WBE: This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals with 84.99% MBE prime participation and 3.95% MBE and 4.15% WBE subcontractor participation.

Boards and Commission Action: Recommended by the Water and Wastewater Commission.

This project includes approximately 3,200 linear feet of 8-inch PVC wastewater line to replace existing concrete wastewater lines located on Oak Hollow Drive, Ohlen Road, Georgian Drive, East Anderson Lane, Northcrest Boulevard, and Gessner Drive. The existing wastewater lines have deteriorated creating overflows.

The project team is meeting with the affected neighborhoods and will provide ongoing communication with all property owners that will potentially be affected by the construction of the wastewater system. Communication and outreach with these groups will continue throughout the construction phase.

Due to the potential for unknown subsurface conditions and utility conflicts when working in the right of way, a 5% contingency in funding has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. The contract allows 150 calendar days for completion of this project. Construction is anticipated to start in December 2010 and continue until March 2011. This project is located within zip codes 78752, 78753, and 78758.